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SUBJECT: CONFERENCE ON INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW IN ARMED

CONFLICTS: PROPOSED NATO CONSULTATION

REFS: (A) STATE 133067 (B) USNATO 2879

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1. AT JUNE 10 MEETING OF NATO POLITICAL COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN (KILLHAM) PROPOSED THAT ALLIES COORDINATE THEIR APPROACH TO CERTAIN ASPECTS OF THE ICRC DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE ON INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW IN ARMED CONFLICTS. POLADS AGREED TO SEEK INSTRUCTIONS ON ADVISABILITY OF SUCH A CONSULTATION.

2. CHAIRMAN NOTED THAT THE QUESTION OF A POSSIBLE BAN ON INCENDIARY AND OTHER MODERN CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS HAS BEEN A STANDING ITEM ON THE AGENDA OF THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETINGS OF NATO DISARMAMENT EXPERTS AND THAT A CLEAR CONSENSUS EMERGED AT THEIR MOST RECENT MEETING IN APRIL 1975 TO THE EFFECT THAT ALLIED GOVERNMENTS SHOULD PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE WORK OF THE ICRC CONFERENCE ON SUCH WEAPONS BANS AS WELL AS TO THE OUTCOME OF THE JANUARY 1976 CONFERENCE OF GOVERNMENT EXPERTS ON WEAPONS. HE RECALLED THAT THE DISARMAMENT EXPERTS RECOMMENDED THAT THE ALLIES COORDINATE THEIR APPROACH TO POSSIBLE PROPOSALS FOR PROHIBITIONS IN CONFIDENTIAL

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THE FIELD OF CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS. CHAIRMAN ALSO NOTED THAT CONCERN ABOUT THE ICRC CONFERENCE WAS ALSO REFLECTED AT THE RECENT DPC MINISTERIAL MEETING, AND SIMILAR RECOMMENDATIONS WERE MADE ON THAT OCCASION (REF B).

3. CHAIRMAN SUGGESTED THAT POLADS TAKE UP THIS ISSUE AND, IF CAPITALS AGREED, THE COMMITTEE MIGHT FIRST DISCUSS HOW TO OBTAIN APPROPRIATE ADVICE FROM THE NATO MILITARY AUTHORITIES ON THE MILITARY IMPLICATIONS FOR NATO OF A POSSIBLE BAN ON THE USE OF SPECIFIED CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS. CHAIRMAN THOUGHT A REPORT COULD BE AVAILABLE FROM THE NATO MILITARY AUTHORITIES IN TIME FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE DISARMAMENT EXPERTS AT THEIR NEXT MEETING, TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR THE FIRST WEEK OF OCTOBER.

4. ACTION: REQUEST GUIDANCE ON GENERAL PROPOSAL FOR SUCH CONSULTATION AND ON WHETHER TO SUPPORT CHAIRMAN'S SPECIFIC PROPOSAL IN PARA 3. STREATOR

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